

# State of New Hampshire



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To: State Homeland Security Grants Local Points of Contact

From: John J. Barthelmes, Commissioner

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Barthelmes".

Re: Announcement of FFY 2009 Competitive Local Grant Application Period

I am pleased to announce the receipt of the FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant issued by the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency). It is the desire of Governor Lynch and the 2009 Homeland Security Grant Review Committee, comprised of members from law enforcement, fire service, EMS and key State agencies, to allocate a portion of the grant in strict alignment with the National Priority focused upon achieving goals tied to the National Infrastructure Protection Plan. Future competitive processes will be undertaken and we will make notification to locals regarding that process at that time. Future outreach sessions will be held for the open competitive funds.

Membership of the 2009 Grant Review Committee and grant allocation plan can be accessed at our webpage:

<http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/homeland/homelandgrants.html>

Grant applications and time lines will be issued by November 15, 2009 for established local HazMat team funding. Training and Exercise funds are currently available to the locals for eligible activities. Contact information is available at:

<http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/homeland/homelandgrants.html>

The focus on National Priorities is still a hallmark of the program intent:

- Assisting in the prioritization of the protection of critical infrastructure and key resources
- Regionalization of prevention, protection, response and recovery efforts
- Radio Interoperability
- Intelligence gathering, analysis and information sharing techniques
- National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- CBRNE detection, response, recovery and decontamination
- Strengthening of medical surge and mass prophylaxis capabilities.

We look forward to assisting you with the 2009 Homeland grant process. As further specific allocations become available to locals for projects, information will be forwarded to you. Please contact the Grants Management Unit at 271-7663 for more information, or you can e-mail your questions and comments to [homelandgrants@safety.state.nh.us](mailto:homelandgrants@safety.state.nh.us).